

"A community's progress should be measured in quarter centuries, not quarters"

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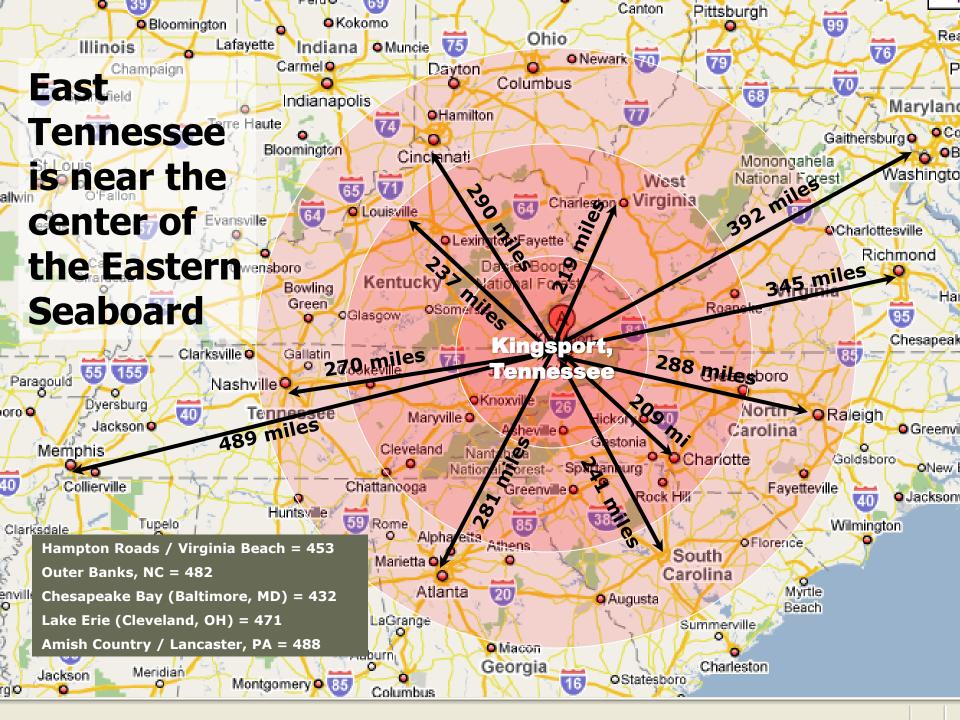
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There is a place...

- Where the hottest summer days are like New England, but the annual snowfall is 34 inches less
- Where the annual high/low temperatures are like the California Wine Country (without the faultline)
- Where the average winter days are like Atlanta or Charlotte, but the summers have 35 fewer days of sweltering above-90-degree heat
- Where the #of days >90 degrees are half that of the Colorado Rockies at Denver (and the winters have 45 fewer inches of snowfall)
- Where lush green vegetation is naturally maintained by rainfall amounts comparable to the Pacific Northwest
- Where nature's beauty unfolds in four balanced seasons
- Where the natural watershed scored a perfect 100 out of 100
- That's equidistant from every major metropolitan market in the eastern United States
- Oh, and did I mention it is consistently one of the most affordable places to live
- Mix in some of the nicest, most accommodating people in the world...
- And you have Kingsport, Tennessee



Is Kingsport a suburb of Knoxville? No	, here's a com	nparison:	
Austin to San Antonio	1 hr 21 min	79.34	mi
Kingsport to Asheville	1 hr 33 min	85.69	mi
Sacramento to San Francisco	1 hr 34 min	86.92	mi
Kingsport to Knoxville	1 hr 40 min	101.71	mi
Buffalo to Toronto	1 hr 45 min	94.58	mi
Milwaukee to Chicago	1 hr 46 min	88.88	mi
Hartford to Boston	1 hr 49 min	101.07	mi
Tampa-St Pete to Orlando	1 hr 49 min	106.49	mi
Baltimore to Philadelphia	1 hr 50 min	97.04	mi
Philadelphia to New York	1 hr 52 min	94.18	mi
Richmond to Washington	1 hr 53 min	106.00	mi
Savannah to Charleston	1 hr 54 min	103.74	mi
Savannah to Jacksonville	1 hr 55 min	120.53	mi
Kingsport to Gatlinburg, TN	1 hr 55 min	103.35	mi
Cleveland to Pittsburgh	1 hr 56 min	114.90	mi
Richmond to Virginia Beach	1 hr 58 min	108.80	mi





Tennessee's 5th Largest Metro

Nashville-Murfreesboro-Franklin, TN	1,589,934
Memphis, TN-MS-AR	1,316,100
Knoxville, TN	698,030
Chattanooga, TN-GA	528,143
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA	309,544
Clarksville, TN-KY	273,949
Johnson City, TN	198,716
Morristown, TN	136,608
Cleveland, TN	115,788
Jackson, TN	115,425
Cookeville, TN	106,042
Tullahoma, TN	100,210
Sevierville-Pigeon Forge-Gatlinburg, TN	89,889

INDIANA

Nat'l. Battlefield

Tennessee

ALABAMA

KENTUCKY

Cumberland

Murfreesboro

Chattanooga

IRGINIA

CAROLINA

APPALACHIAN

APPALACHIAN MTS.

Kingsport *

ILLINOIS

Mississippi

Jackson*

Memphis

ARKANSAS

MISSISSIPPI

MISSOURI

Census Bureau, Metropolitan Statistical Area: 2010 Census

Knoxville, TN	698,030
Greenville, SC	636,986
Chattanooga, TN-GA	528,143
Asheville, NC	424,858
Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton, NC	365,497
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA	309,544
Roanoke, VA	308,707
Charleston, WV	304,284
Huntington, WV	287,702
Spartanburg, SC	284,307
Lynchburg, VA	252,634
Charlottesville, VA	201,559
Johnson City, TN	198,716
Anderson (Clemson) , SC	187,126
Blacksburg (Virginia Tech)	162,958
Morristown, TN	136,608
Cleveland, TN	115,788

Census Bureau, Metropolitan Statistical Area: 2010 Census

Kingsport is...
the largest city in the 6th Largest Metro in America's Mountain South



Kingsport's settlement pre-dates the State of Tennessee by 35 years

1761 - British Fort Robinson (later taken by U.S. and renamed Fort Patrick Henry)

1779 - Sullivan County, NC (later TN) formally established

1784-1789 The Lost State of Franklin

1796 - Tennessee statehood from North Carolina

1822 - "Old" Kingsport incorporated

1861-1865 - American Civil War

1917 - "New" Kingsport incorporated (nearly 100 years after "Old" Kingsport)

1967 - "Old" Kingsport annexed into "New" Kingsport

Even in the early 1920s, according to Draper, it took from an hour and a half to two hours, over barely passable roads, to travel from Bristol to Kingsport. "In those days," he added, "you figured on changing a tire every twenty-five miles." Not surprisingly, given these circumstances, J. Fred Johnson hustled to get Kingsport placed on the route of the Lee Highway, a national artery from New York to New Orleans. To secure the town's position more firmly, he led a delegation of eleven men, more than that from any other East Tennessee community, to a convention of the Lee Highway Association in 1921 and was himself named one of the

Kingsport, Tennessee: A Planned American City (1987)

"This historic old town on the Holston River may become a city of industry, art and manufacture or it may become a metropolis of a region rich in mineral development...unsurpassed in beauty and fertility."

Bristol Herald-Courier 1908

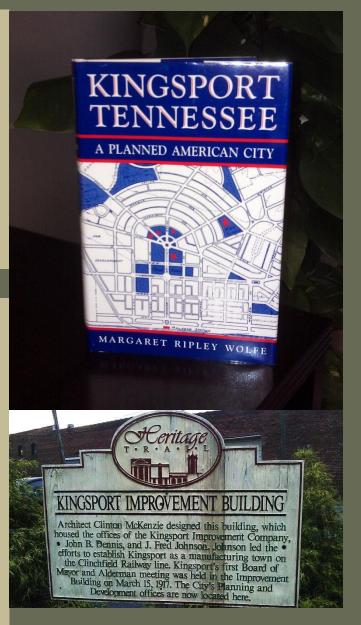
Kingsport, Tennessee: A Planned American City (1987)

"Plan to 'boom a town at Kingsport' "

Johnson City Comet August 17, 1905

"This would mean that Kingsport is to arise from a small country town, located at the intersection of the North and South forks of the Holston River, to become one of the most important manufacturing and business towns in the state of Tennessee"

> Johnson City Comet August 24, 1905



"The Kingsport Spirit"

"Were I to undertake to define the spirit underlying every step in the growth of Kingsport, from the days of its humblest beginning until now, I could not avoid the assertion that the spirit, if it be a spirit, is one of mutual helpfulness and a willingness to submerge selfish interest beneath the individual effort to assure the greater good for the greatest number."

~ J. Fred Johnson, 1937

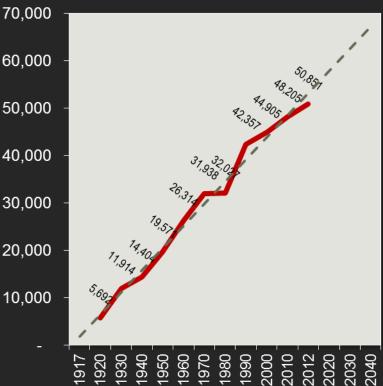
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City of Kingsport, **Tennessee Incorporated Population**

70,000

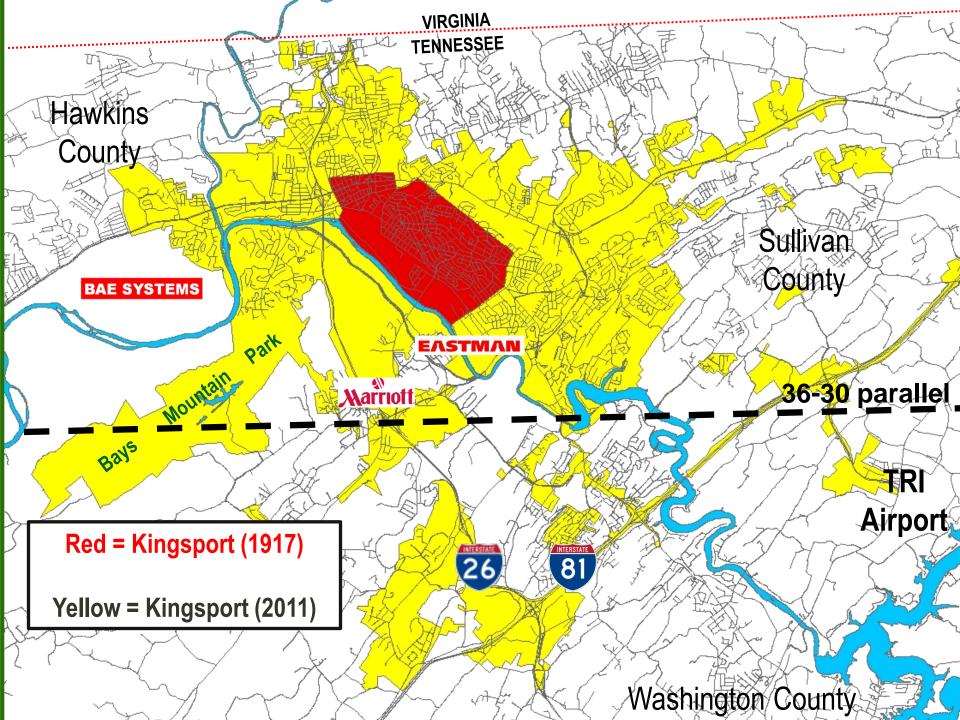
50,000

30,000



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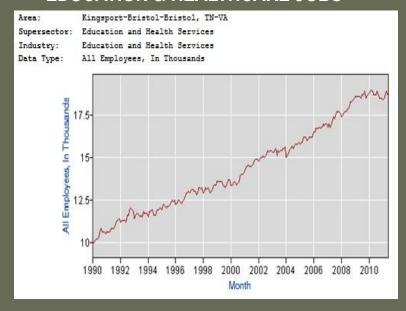
CITY PLANNER CAMBRIDGE MASS. Harvard Sq.



The 1999 Economic Summit Economy in Transition

- "Last one out, turn out the lights"
- Major manufacturing closures/lay-offs
- Eastman spin-off from Kodak
- Major changes in elected officials and appointed leadership
- "Rustbelt"
- Call to action A new day, a new plan

EDUCATION & HEALTHCARE JOBS



MANUFACTURING JOBS



- Higher Education (Educate & Grow)
- Recruit people (educated with income)
 - Retail amenities
 - Accessibility (airport)
 - Quality of life amenities
 - Commitment to education
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Broad Street Redevelopment Concept Plan 2001

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THE UNIVERSITY of TENNESSEE



Kingsport Academic Village brings 2,100 students downtown

Then and Now	1999 Summit	2010 ACS 5-Yr
College degree or higher	18%	32%
Median age	42.3	43.7
Over 65	21%	20%
Median Family Income	\$30,279	\$51,826

Kingsport Times-News

Harvard recognizes city's efforts to spur education

Most residents already consid Kingsport a special place. All t same, it's gratifying that the city h been identified by Harvard Univers as creating some of the most innovati education initiatives in the nation.

This week in Washington, D.C., t Ash Institute for Democratic Gove nance and Innovation at the John Kennedy School of Government Harvard University honored Kingspo as one of only six winners of the 20 Innovations in American Governme Awards.

The prestigious award is a recogn tion from one of the top universities the nation of Kingsport's years of wo in promoting and advancing higher e ucation — from the Educate and Gre program, to the newly open Kingsport Center for Higher Educ tion, to the idea of creating an Ad demic Village in downtown Kingspor

As Mayor Dennis Phillips noted, th incredible accomplishment will "dra



Price 75 Cents

94th Year, Number 271

Haslam says 'Educate and Grow' could go statewide

■ 'Educate and Grow scholarship program allows ev-





Education a family affair for Church Hill foursome

'As long as you're willing to learn, you will learn here."

Troy Christian

By RICK WAGNER rwagner@timesnews.net

KINGSPORT - When it comes to the Kingsport Center for Higher Education, the Christian family of Church Hill is keeping it all in the family.

Dad Troy Christian, mom Teresa,



and professors and among students.

"They're really here to help us learn," Teresa said of the professors, including her anatomy professor, whom she talked with as he came through a hall at the center during the family's recent interview. "You're about get to know everybody in your classroom by the end of the semester on a personal level."

Of the Christians:

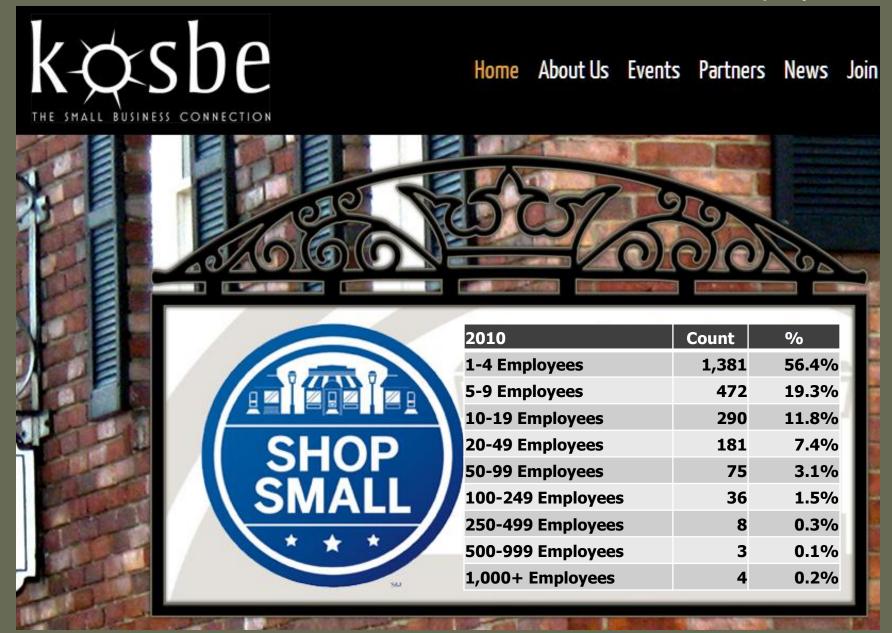
· Troy has worked at Domtar for about four years. About three years

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More than 75% of workforce in establishments with <9 employees





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Term Sheet

Economy

Money -

Tech

Personal Finance

2009 -

Small Business

CNNMoney.com > Small Business > Best Places to Launch

BEST PLACES TO LAUNCH

Palm Coast, FL

Find Loans Business Climate Costs Fastest small business growth Educated workers Low crime High income Growing economy

22.4%

1.888

Markets

Fastest small business growth

In these metro areas, the number of small businesses -- companies with fewer than 50 employees -- grew fast from 2004-2007.

FASTEST GROWTH SLOWEST GROWTH

Rank		Metro area	Small business growth rate	# of small businesses (1-49 employees)
	1	Kingsport, TN	43.7%	6,087
	2	St. George, UT	29.8%	4,224
	3	Provo, UT	23.0%	10,525
	4	Bend, OR	22.6%	6,554

Best Places Winners



Show: All 50 | Top Large Places | Top Midsize | Top Small

Top 25 Lists

Small business growth College-educated workers

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Do you prefer a place

The factors that mat most to me are:

Affordable wage

Educated worker

Low crime

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Since 2005, all of these have located on a redeveloped site











stir fry cafe









EVERY SEASON STARTS AT







OLD NAVY























AÉROPOSTALE











Kingsport has the largest concentration of thriving locally-owned restaurants whose sales and popularity only seem to grow as each national franchise opens





















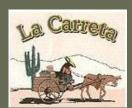
















Downtown Kingsport Renaissance

\$114.9 million appraised value

\$41.7 million in private taxable investment (1998-2011)

Excluding churches, hospital, higher education (an additional \$129,000,000)







natural foods market in the region, bringing locally grown foods to market twice a week



Downtown Kingsport's Concert Series attracts thousands of visitors every Thursday and Friday night from May through early



KINGSPURT SERIES S

THURSDAY NIGHT

FRIDAY NIGHT

MAY 17 USAF STARLIFTER BAND

MAY 24 SCOTT MILLER BAND

MAY 31 HUNDRED ACRES & GUEST

JUNE 7 WEBB WILDER

JUNE 14 DAVE MATHEWS TRIBUTE BAND

JUNE 21 CHAIRMEN OF THE BOARD

JUNE 28 CHINA GROVE

JULY 26 BRINLEY ADDINGTON & NASH STREET

AUG 2 SLIPPERY WHEN WET (BON JOVI COVER BAND)

AUG 9 ATLANTA RHYTHM SECTION

AUG 16 BENNY WILSON BAND & IVY ROAD



MAY 18 GLADE HOLLOW BAND

MAY 25 REPUBLIC STEEL

JUNE 1 TONY HOLT & THE WILDWOOD VALLEY BOYS

JUNE 8 US NAVY BLUEGRASS BAND

JUNE 15 RASIN CANE BAND

JUNE 22 CODY NORRIS & WATAUGA MT. BOYS

JUNE 29 WEST BOUND RANGERS

JULY 6 SHANNON & HEATHER SLAUGHTER & COUNTRY CLARE BAND

JULY 27 STEVE HELTON & FLINT RIVER BOYS

AUG 3 SCOTT COUNTY BOYS

AUG 10 SHADOW RIDGE

AUG 17 TYLER WILLIAMS BAND

AUG 24 TENNESSEE SKYLINE

AUG 31 EAST TENNESSEE STATE BLUEGRASS BAND



TEXT "CONCERTS" TO

twilight alive

Customers within 45 minutes of Downtown Kingsport do not overlap existing Tupelo Honey locations in Asheville or Knoxville.

Full Service Restaurants

Difference

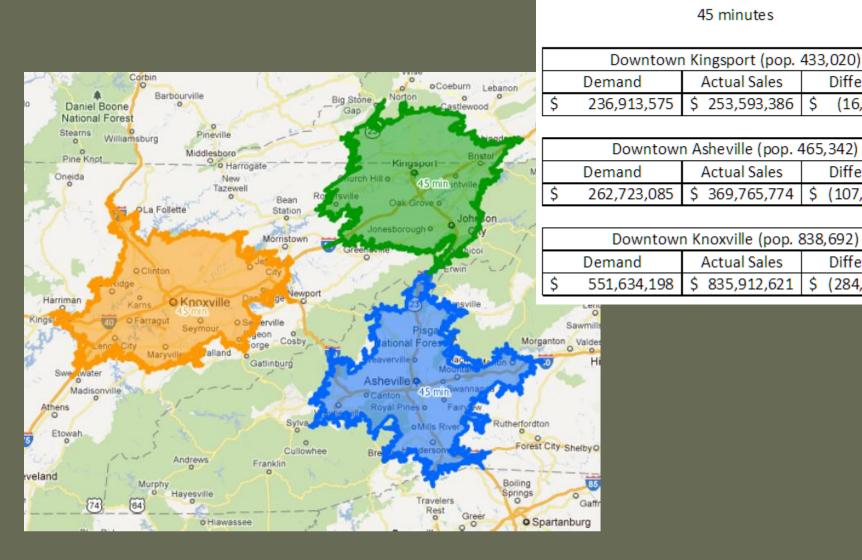
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(284,278,423)

(107,042,689)

(16,679,811)



URBAN AREA ANALYSIS

1-Mile Radius Population		Physician	Median Disposable Income			"White Collar"	
	Daytime	Resident	Count	2010	Projected 2015	Change	Employees
Downtown Kingsport (300 Broad St)	19,220	6,348	211	\$ 24,033	\$26,360	9.70%	63.4%
Downtown Johnson City (101 E Main St)	16,734	9.753	74	\$ 22,379	\$23,638	5.60%	59.2%
Downtown Bristol (700 State St)	9,972	8,582	12	\$ 21,555	\$22,680	5.20%	61.7%
Downtown Asheville (1 N Pack Square)	24,087	8,922	217	\$ 21,711	\$22,748	4.80%	64.8%
Downtown Knoxville (1 Market Square)	29,435	12,340	30	\$ 11,601	\$12,086	4.20%	62.9%

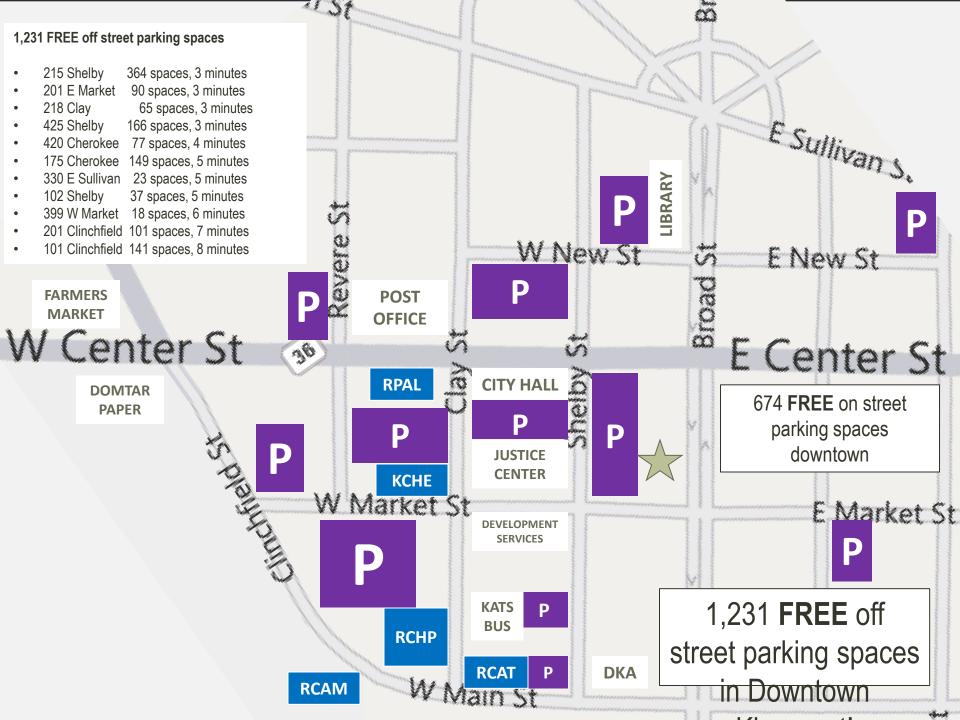
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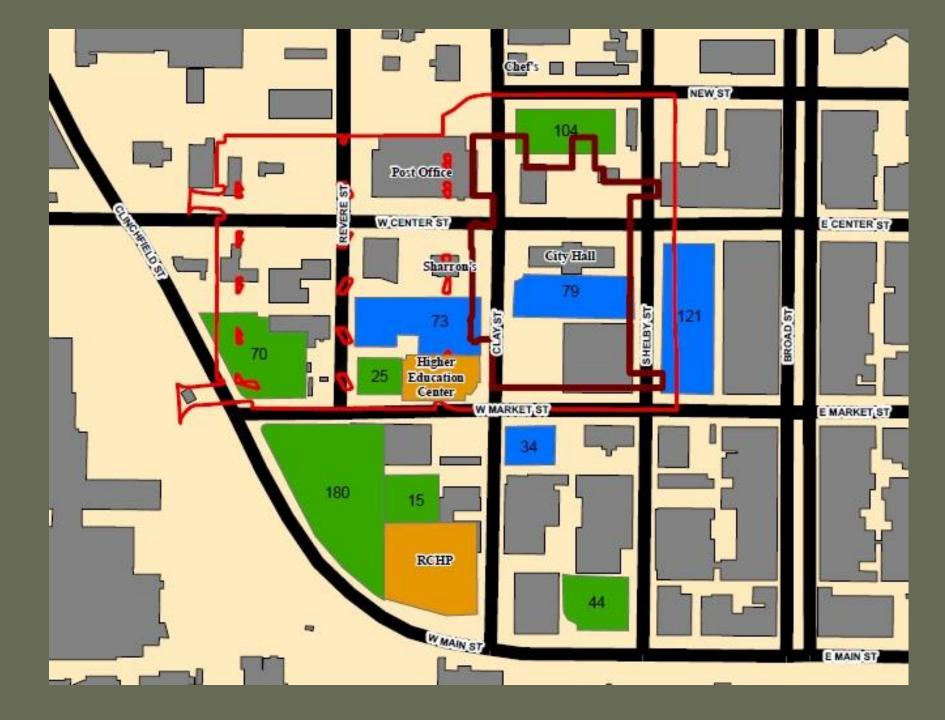
...daytime population

...physician count (and patients)

...disposable income

...growth in disposable income ...white collar employees





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THE FACTS

CAREERS

FAMILIES

HOMES

ACTIVIT

What Are You Looking For?

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MEET OUR NEIGHBORS - Select an image and we'll introduce you to some of those who call Kingsport their new home.



A community like no other ... and we'll prove it!

Sign the Guestbook and we'll get started to help you FIND A JOB, FIND A HOME and discover a new life in Tennessee's bright spot.

Get Started Now



Tennessee's Bright Spot

Offering a dynamic combination of pristine beauty and cutting-edge technology, the city of Kingsport is a beacon of hospitality in an

Kingsport Just For You...

Select a preference below for custom information related to your interests in our community. It's Kingsport just for you...

Top Destinations - Must See

Ride The Bus!

It's almost as good as being there yourself. F the Downtown Kingsport Tour Bus with Chad





Why Kingsport?

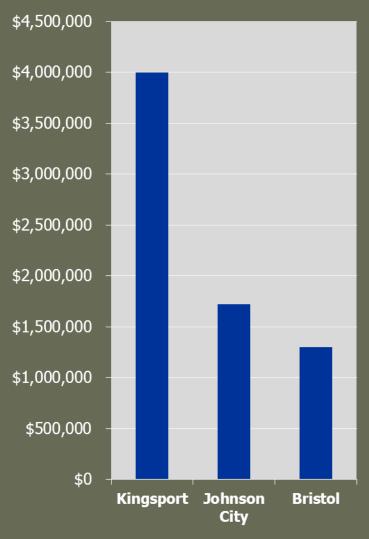
Total City & County property taxes on a \$200,000 home = \$2,035 per year

- No solid waste, garbage, trash or recycling fees
- No special school tax
- No special district tax (fire, parks, etc.)
- No wheel tax in Sullivan County
- No state income tax on salaries/wages
- No personal property tax
- No vehicle inspection fees
- No annual vehicle taxes of any kind
- Internationally accredited police and fire departments





Kingsport's United Way goal exceeded \$4 million last year and is significantly more than the next highest in the region, another indicator of 'the Kingsport Spirit'



Kingsport Times-News

Caring Kingsporters help United Way surpass goal

When longtime residents speak of Kingsport as a special place, it's generally not the climate or geography they have in mind, but the remarkable spirit of the residents. One of the clearest examples is Kingsport's annual United Way fund drive.

This year, the United Way of Greater Kingsport not only met its goal of \$3.62 million, but exceeded it. once cold will now be warm. Some who were once without decent clothing will now be cleanly dressed. Some who have gone to bed hungry will have full stomachs. Some who once despaired will now have hope.

But, of course, charity is not a one-way street. By giving, we nourish our own spirits.

Kingsport is green!

Household Green Index

Kingsport	106.3
Asheville	103.4
Bristol	101.7
Johnson City	101.1
USA	100.0
South Atlantic Region	96.6
Knoxville	92.8
State of North Carolina	91.0
State of Tennessee	90.4
East South Central Region	88.4

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Litter free events

26 years

2006 Affiliate of the Year

32 years











Home

Passenger numbers at TRI up 9.2 percent

February, 2011

Direct flights to 4 Cities:

Atlanta Charlotte Orlando St. Pete/Clearwater

Closest Neighboring Airports: Asheville (90 miles) **Knoxville (112 miles)**

Variety of Housing Choices

updated February 1, 2012



4836 Preston Park Dr (5596 sf) Built: 1995, 5 BR 6 BA \$750,000 (\$7,689 taxes)



386 Golf Ridge Dr (3717 sf) Built: 2011, 4 BR 5 BA \$851,900 (\$8,733 taxes)



4236 Anchor Pointe Dr (2649 sf) Built: 2010, 3 BR 3BA \$379,900 (\$3,895 taxes)



1242 Ridgetop Trail (8093 sf) Built: 1996, 7 BR 8 BA \$1,600,000 (\$16,403 taxes)

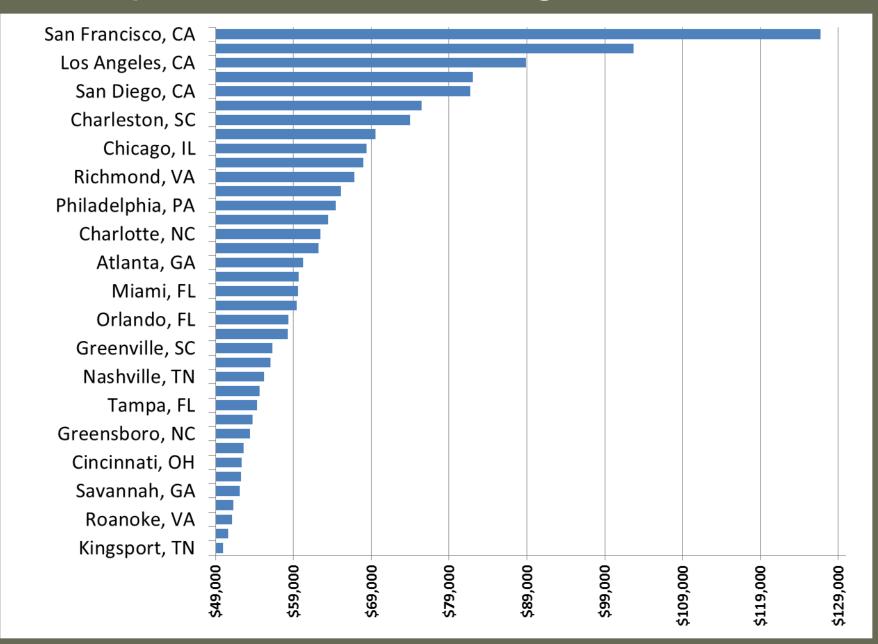


2137 Bonaire Rd (3478 sf) Built: 1963, 4 BR 4 BA \$299,900 (\$3,074 taxes)



2501 Glasgow Station Rd (3862 sf) Built: 2008, 5 BR 5 BA \$550,000 (\$5,638 taxes)

Equivalent Cost of Living for \$50,000



Low taxes coupled with high quality of life

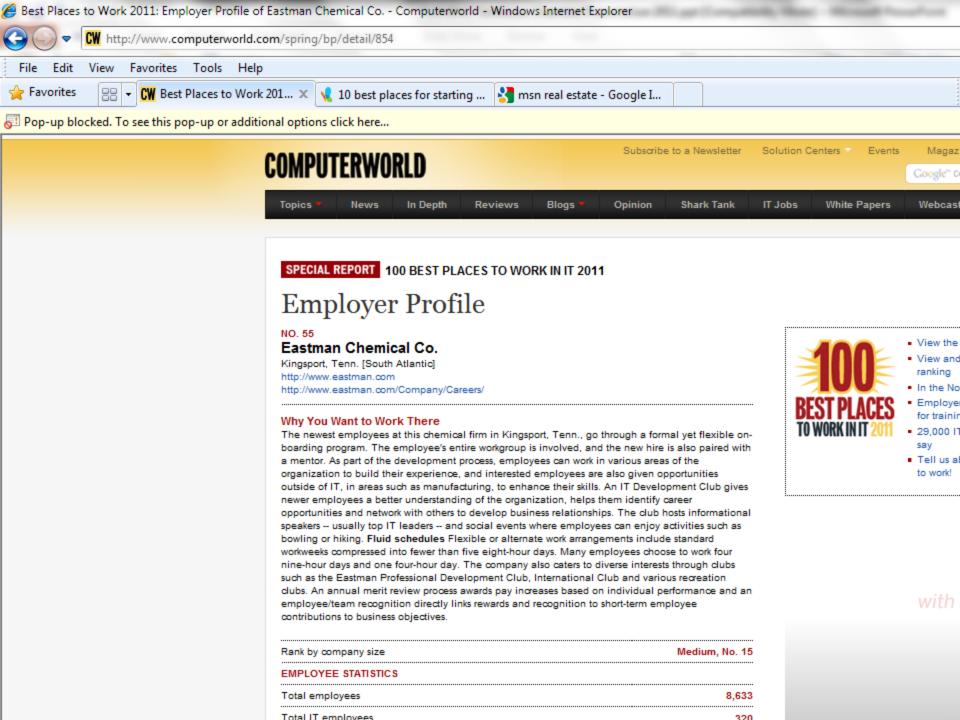
For a family of 4 in a house appraised at \$229,500...

	2011
Gasoline	\$ 2,890
Mobile Phone (3)	\$ 2,496
1 pack of cigarettes/day @ \$5 ea	\$ 1,825
Car Insurance (2)	\$ 1,727
2-liters of bottled water/day @ \$1.99 ea	\$ 1,453
Electricity	\$ 1,298
County Property Taxes	\$ 1,222
Cable TV	\$ 1,214
City Property Taxes*	\$ 1,113
Natural Gas	\$ 864
Water + Sewer	\$ 598

^{*}All inclusive: No special assessments or monthly fees for garbage/trash/recycling, schools, parks, fire, etc.



- The Tri-Cities region of northeastern Tennessee and southwestern Virginia, in the Blue Ridge Mountains, was the birthplace of the country's earliest country-music recordings.
- Today, the area takes a back seat to Nashville, Tenn., in the music arena, but it is home to a number of large employers, including thriving Eastman Chemical Co., paper maker Domtar Corp. and the Holston Army Ammunition Plant.
- Kingsport also is making some bold moves to boost its economic fortunes by harnessing the education of its residents. The city won accolades from both the National League of Cities and Harvard University for its city scholarship program, which pays for up to four semesters at Northeast State Community College for city high-school graduates.





Waconia, Minnesota

Only 30 minutes west of the Twin Cities, and it boasts an outdoor playground of natural beauty...plus a community indoor water park. The town is an especially friendly place to build a primary care practice in or near Minneapolis/St. Paul, then come home to this cozy settlement of 9,000 on the shores of Lake Waconia.



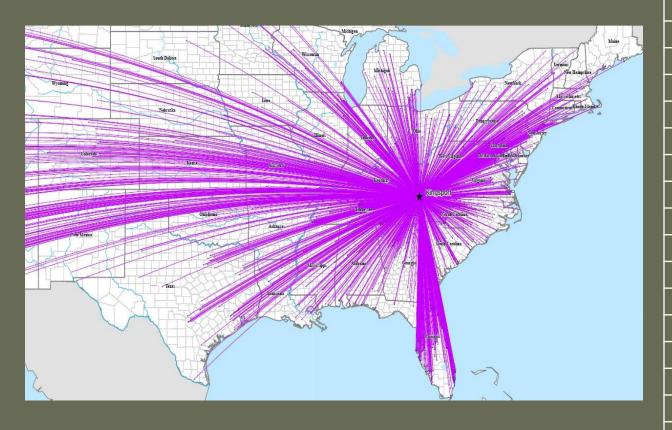


Kingsport, Tennessee

Recently named one of the best cities to practice medicine in America by Medial Economics Magazine:

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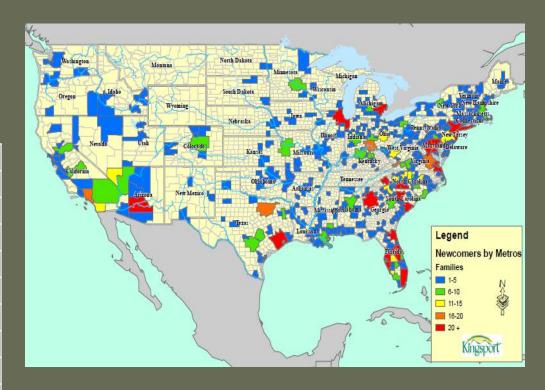
2,591 families from 49 states & DC moved to Kingsport



1	VIRGINIA	847
2	FLORIDA	292
3	N. CAROLINA	213
4	GEORGIA	94
5	S. CAROLINA	93
6	KENTUCKY	92
7	TEXAS	88
8	ОНЮ	75
9	CALIFORNIA	70
10	MICHIGAN	60
11	NEW YORK	60
12	MARYLAND	56
13	PENNSYLVANIA	45
14	ALABAMA	41
15	ILLINOIS	37
16	MISSISSIPPI	37
17	ARIZONA	35
18	INDIANA	33
19	WEST VIRGINIA	33
20	NEW JERSEY	30
21	LOUISIANA	27
22	COLORADO	24
23	MISSOURI	17
24	NEVADA	16
25	WASHINGTON	15

Top Metros Moving to Kingsport FY06-FY13

1	Tampa Bay, FL	58
2	Washington, DC-VA-MD-WV	53
3	Atlanta, GA	40
4	Miami-Ft Lauderdale, FL	38
5	New York-Northern NJ	38
6	Asheville, NC	35
7	Charlotte, NC-SC	34
8	Orlando, FL	33
9	Va Beach-Norfolk, VA-NC	29
10	Deltona-Daytona, FL	26
11	Detroit, MI	25
12	Chicago, IL-IN-WI	24
13	Houston, TX	24
14	Baltimore, MD	23
15	Charleston, SC	23
16	Phoenix, AZ	23
17	Jacksonville, FL	22
18	Sarasota-Bradenton, FL	21
19	Columbia, SC	20
20	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	19
21	Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	17

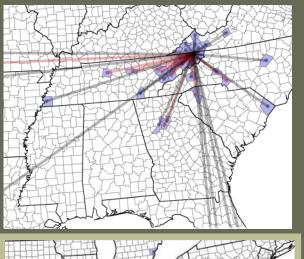


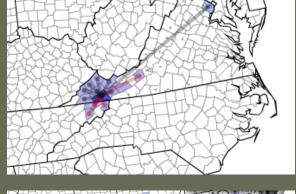
1	Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA (non Kingsport zips)	2,497
2	Johnson City, TN	1,417
3	Greeneville, TN	374
4	Knoxville, TN	166
5	Morristown, TN	77
6	Nashville-DavidsonMurfreesboro, TN	68
7	Chattanooga, TN-GA	49
8	Sevierville, TN	27
9	Memphis, TN-MS-AR	25

Free data (in this case, interactive!): Fortune Magazine (2008) Where Americans Are Moving

http://www.forbes.com/2010/06/04/migration-moving-wealthy-interactive-counties-map.html

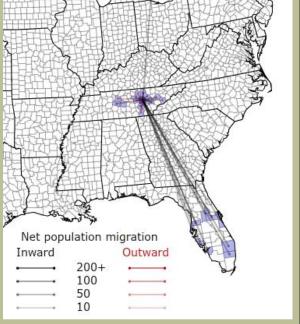
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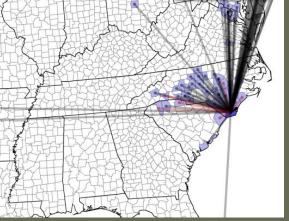




Bristol Washington Co, Virginia

Crossville Cumberland Co, Tennessee





Wilmington Metro Brunswick Co, North Carolina

Annual Economic Impact of Newcomers An example of Kingsport, Tennessee

- +461 families (July 2005-January 2012)
- x 2.3 persons per family on average
- = 1,060 new residents
- Each resident generates \$25,000 in consumer expenditures
- 1,060 x \$25,000 = **\$26,507,500** per year
- Consuming services and creating demand for jobs in medical, pharmacy, finance, insurance, real estate, food, retail, etc.
- Not a bad return on investment for \$55,000 annual budget for "Move To Kingsport" program

TN Counties by Natural Increase (Deaths vs Births)

Γ		Total		Vital Ev	vents		Net Migration	
	Geographic Area	Population Change ¹	Natural Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International ²	Domestic
ľ	Stewart County	970	-33	1,329	1,362	1,066	-28	1,09
	Claiborne County	1,321	-36	3,288	3,324	1,532	74	1,45
	Perry County	195	-39	854	893	266	27	23
	Polk County	-408	-54	1,781	1,835	-266	29	-29
Г	Houston County	70	-61	934	995	182	108	7
Г	Overton County	938	-71	2,277	2,348	1,143	-3	1,14
	Hancock County	-192	-85	724	809	-68	6	-7
	Giles County	-365	-88	3,120	3,208	-99	51	-15
	Clay County	-77	-101	818	919	71	137	-6
	Weakley County	-1,436	-107	3,313	3,420	-1,136	448	-1,58
	Pickett County	-162	-114	489	603	-26	6	-3:
	Wayne County	-336	-127	1,529	1,656	-113	64	-17
	Fentress County	1,052	-151	1,888	2,039	1,293	52	1,24
	Lake County	-651	-216	667	883	-387	13	-40
	Greene County	3,373	-256	6,750	7,006	4,024	583	3,44
	Decatur County	-206	-309	1,201	1,510	174	183	
	Jackson County	-109	-340	981	1,321	292	38	25
	Johnson County	507	-369	1,545	1,914	958	16	94
ı	Hardin County	680	-437	lo	3,052	1,286	100	1,18
	Carter County	2,303	-452	5,568	6,020	3,013	284	2,72
	Benton County	-512	-573	1,540	2,113	166	31	139
	Cumberland County	7,308	-579	4,877	5,456	8,136	90	8,04
	Gibson County	1,319	-620	5,772	6,392	2,235	210	2,02
	Henry County	773	-652	3,410	4,062	1,610	118	1,49
	Roane County	1,597	-653	5,072	5,725	2,569	194	2,37
	Unicoi County	71	-658	1,674	2,332	834	-2	83
-	Carroll County	-969	-677	3,266	3,943	-120	41	-16
	Sullivan County	1,502	-1,208	15,398	16,606	3,706	893	2,81:

TN Counties by Total Increase (including in-migration)

	Total		Vital Ev	ents		Net Migration	
Geographic Area	Population Change ¹	Natural Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International ²	Domestic
Jefferson County	7,428	734	5,159	4,425	6,903	523	6,380
Cumberland County	7,308	-579	4,877	5,456	8,136	90	8,046
Monroe County	6,865	1,042	5,022	3,980	5,992	348	5,644
Madison County	5,480	4,448	12,639	8,191	1,590	1,420	170
Dickson County	5,074	2,136	6,132	3,996	3,166	123	3,043
Hamblen County	4,905	2,045	7,944	5,899	3,255	3,095	160
Coffee County	4,507	1,217	6,408	5,191	3,587	522	3,065
Hawkins County	4,221	572	5,906	5,334	3,969	179	3,790
Cheatham County	3,964	1,856	4,516	2,660	2,338	130	2,208
McMinn County	3,729	497	5,662	5,165	3,508	429	3,079
Anderson County	3,523	151	7,832	7,681	3,845	788	3,057
Marshall County	3,505	1,018	3,552	2,534	2,651	482	2,169
Greene County	3,373	-256	6,750	7,006	4,024	583	3,441
Rhea County	3,113	718	3,782	3,064	2,543	256	2,287
Sequatchie County	2,538	413	1,506	1,093	2,173	93	2,080
Cocke County	2,479	16	3,894	3,878	2,624	74	2,550
White County	2,334	76	2,834	2,758	2,398	77	2,321
Carter County	2,303	-452	5,568	6,020	3,013	284	2,729
Warren County	2,205	1,086	5,043	3,957	1,358	1,287	71
Grainger County	2,198	328	2,450	2,122	1,965	181	1,784
Franklin County	2,038	228	4,127	3,899	2,053	228	1,825
Lincoln County	2,034	326	3,815	3,489	1,904	149	1,755
Macon County	1,671	467	2,583	2,116	1,323	347	976
Roane County	1,597	-653	5,072	5,725	2,569	194	2,375
DeKalb County	1,533	322	2,235	1,913	1,315	454	861
Henderson County	1,515	510	3,368	2,858	1,161	-1	1,162
Hickman County	1,510	429	2,585	2,156	1,224	4	1,220
Sullivan County	1,502	-1,208	15,398	16,606	3,706	893	2,813

Buxton analysis of in-migrants to Kingsport

Primary: "Stable Careers"

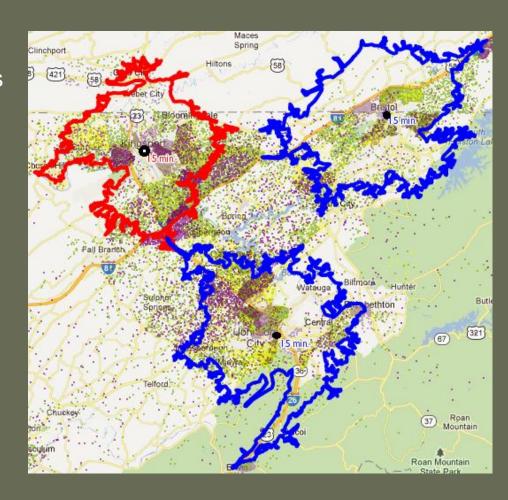
Young and ethnically diverse singles living comfortable lifestyles.

Secondary: "Steadfast Conservatives"

Mature singles and couples living in middle-class urban neighborhoods.

<u>Tertiary: "Urban Commuter Families"</u>

Upscale, college educated boomer families and couples living in comfortable, single detached homes in city neighborhoods.



Buxton analysis of in-migrants

In-migrants from >35 miles away are more likely to be younger, higher income, and live in higher-end housing.

Demographic

- 84% more likely to have children 0-6
- 60% more likely to have a head of household 35-54

Income

- 263% more likely to have an income \$150,000-\$199,999
- 222% more likely to have an income \$200,000+

Housing

- 171% more likely to live in a home valued \$300,000-\$349,999
- 275% more likely to live in a home valued \$400,000+





5-Year House Price Appreciation

Source: FHFA.gov 3rd Quarter 2011 (released November 29, 2011)

- +6.67% Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA +4.03% Johnson City, TN
- +2.64% Greenville-Mauldin-Easley, SC
- +0.80% Knoxville, TN
- +0.30% Lexington, KY
- -0.87% Nashville-Murfreesboro-Franklin, TN
- -1.28% Chattanooga, TN
- -1.68% Roanoke, VA
- -1.91% Spartanburg, SC
- -3.74% Asheville, NC
- -4.56% Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, NC-SC
- -8.65% Memphis, TN-MS-AR
- -18.13% Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA
- -21.93% Chicago-Joliet-Naperville, IL
- -33.74% Detroit-Livonia, MI
- -39.55% Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL
- -45.40% Fort Lauderdale-Pompano-Deerfield, FL
- -59.46% Las Vegas-Paradise, NV

20 Metropolitan Statistical Areas and Divisions* with Highest Rates of House Price Appreciation

Percent Change in House Prices with MSA Rankings Period Ended September 30, 2011

(Estimates use all-transactions HPI which includes purchase and refinance mortgages)

Note that purchase-only indexes, which omit appraisal values, are available for select metro areas at http://www.fnfa.gov/Default.aspx?Page=87.

MSA	National Ranking**	1-Yr.	Qtr.	5-Yr.
Bismarck, ND	1	5.52	0.38	15.99
Dubuque, IA	2	2.46	3.26	8.06
Fargo, ND-MN	3	1.86	2.37	6.88
Joplin, MO	4	1.56	5.74	2.59
Casper, WY	5	0.88	3.73	5.99
Springfield, IL	6	0.67	-0.22	5.12
Burlington-South Burlington, VT	7	0.60	0.96	0.61
Pittsburgh, PA	8	0.33	1.05	8.15
Anchorage, AK	9	0.29	0.28	1.55
Owensboro, KY	10	0.27	2.20	8.03
Honolulu, HI	11	0.24	-0.93	-6.57
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL	12	0.20	1.15	5.23
Corpus Christi, TX	13	0.15	1.23	2.50
Bloomington, IN	14	0.11	4.14	6.21
Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA	15	0.07	-0.61	4.32
Topeka, KS	16	0.06	3.97	1.62
Jefferson City, MO	17	0.03	2.24	4.43
Kingsport-Bristol-Bristol, TN-VA	18	0.01	1.22	6.67
Fayetteville, NC	19	-0.02	-0.26	9.39
Sioux Falls, SD	20	-0.10	1.33	4.58

Jobs

updated December 2011

7.2% = Kingsport-Bristol, TN-V

7.3% = Johnson City, TN

7.5% = Asheville, NC

7.7% = Greenville-Mauldin-Easley, SC

9.2% = Spartanburg, SC

7.9% = Columbia, SC

7.8% = Charleston-North Charleston, SC

8.4% = Savannah, GA

9.7% = Brunswick, GA

9.5% = Jacksonville, FL

14.0% = Palm Coast, FL

10.3% = Deltona-Daytona, FL

9.7% = Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL

10.3% = Tampa-St. Pete-Clearwater, FL

11.1% = Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, FL

Quick Summary of Unemployment Rate:	
Sullivan County	7.1%
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA MSA	7.2%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA CSA	7.3%
Hawkins County	7.5%
United States	8.2%
State of Tennessee	8.4%

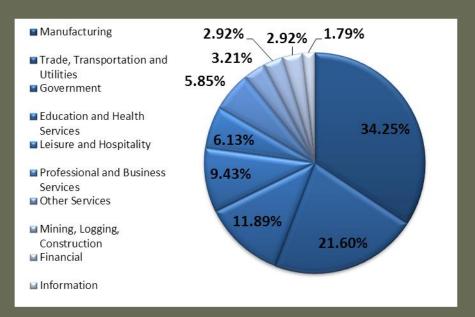
CITY OF KINGSPORT	2006	2010	2011
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	8.8%	7.9%
Population	44,758	48,205	50,851
Labor Force	19,050	19,430	19,650
Employed	17,910	17,730	18,100
Unemployed	1,150	1,710	1,550

Employment in Kingsport, TN-VA MSA	January 1990	% of All Jobs	December 2011	% of All Jobs	Change (Jan 1990- Dec 2011)	% Change 1990-2011
Education and Health Services	10,000	9.43%	19,200	16.07%	9,200	6.63%
Leisure and Hospitality	6,500	6.13%	11,600	9.71%	5,100	3.58%
Mining, Logging, Construction	3,100	2.92%	6,900	5.77%	3,800	2.85%
Professional and Business Services	6,200	5.85%	8,900	7.45%	2,700	1.60%
Government	12,600	11.89%	16,200	13.56%	3,600	1.67%
Financial	3,100	2.92%	4,500	3.77%	1,400	0.84%
Other Services	3,400	3.21%	4,300	3.60%	900	0.39%
Information	1,900	1.79%	2,300	1.92%	400	0.13%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	22,900	21.60%	24,700	20.67%	1,800	-0.93%
Manufacturing	36,300	34.25%	20,900	17.49%	-15,400	-16.76%
TOTAL	_ 106,000	100.00%	119,500	100.00%	13,500	<mark>← Net Gain</mark>

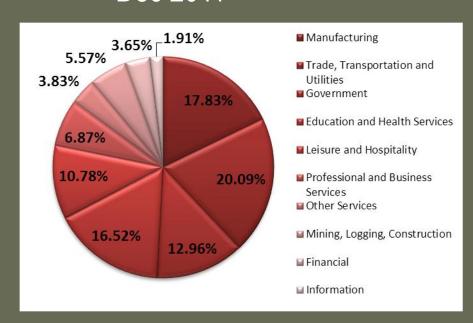
DIVERSIFICATION 13,500 Net New Jobs

Employment in Kingsport MSA

Jan 1990



Dec 2011





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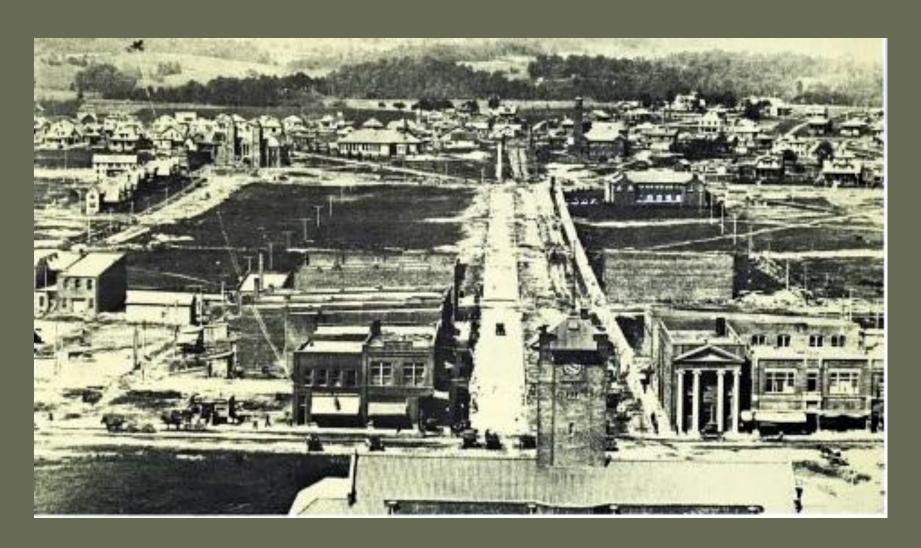


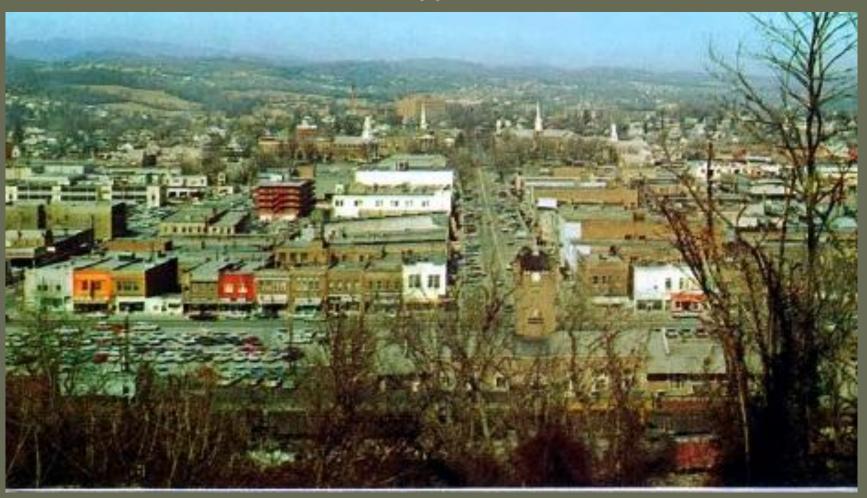
















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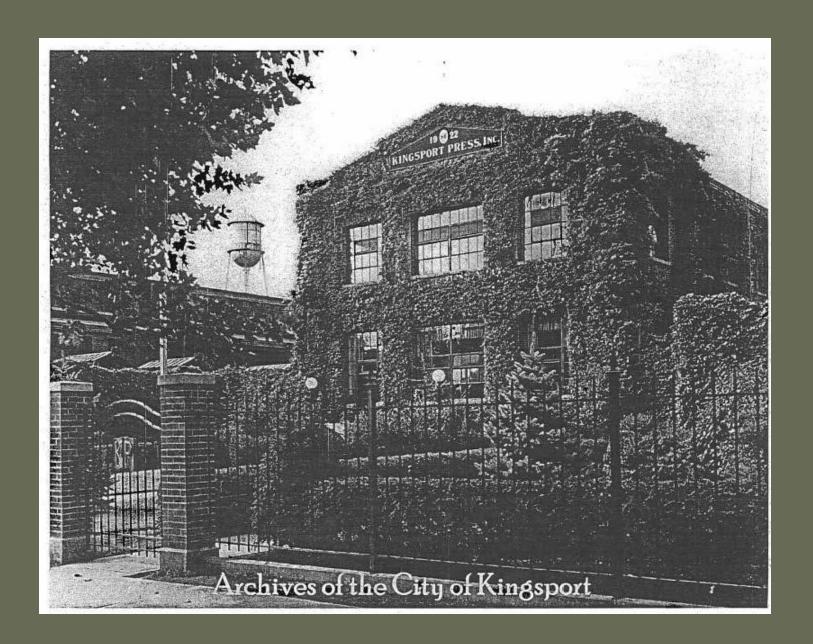


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MARKET STREET ELEVATION

KINGSPORT PUBLIC PARKING STRUCTURE





Kingsport Press 2008

(from Sullivan Street)









The Press Building: Mountain Region Family Medicine, P.C.





Farmer's Market at Kingsport Press







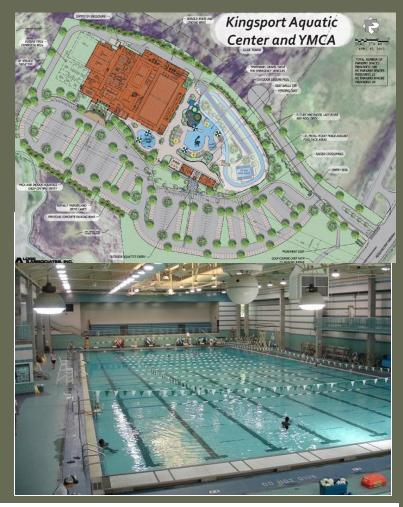
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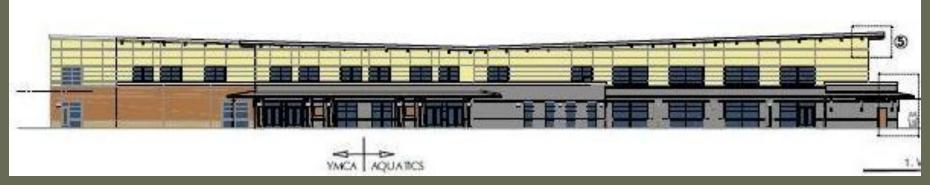
The Kingsport Board of Education and Kingsport Area Chamber of Commerce will soon move into these offices at the Press Building, at the old Quebecor property in downtown Kingsport. More than \$14 million in public and private investment was spent on construction and building improvements in the central business district in 2011.



YMCA and Aquatic Center

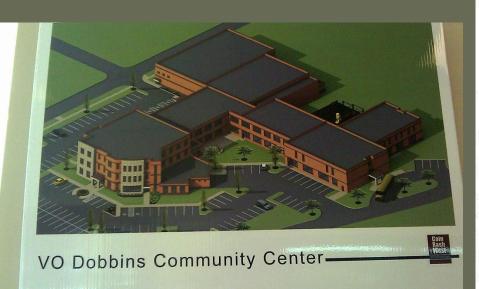
- \$15 million
- Fitness, Competition, Wellness, Leisure
- Zero depth entries, ADA accessible
- Family/assisted changing rooms
- Indoor-Outdoor
- All ages and abilities
- Collocated with new YMCA
- Construction 2011, Completion 2012





V.O. Dobbins, Sr. **Community Center**

- \$8.2 million / 46,000 sf
- Gym Space / Ballfields
- Community Rooms
- Non-Profit Center



MAME

Sullivan Central 14. Sullivan East Asheville, N.C. 49, Elizabethion 3 Hampton 34, Johnson County 31 Happy Valley 41, Cloudland 0 JV Greene St. N. Greene H

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Above, Dr. Carroll Van West, di rector of historic preservation at MTSU, unveils the new historical marker for the V.O. Dobbins

Sr. Complex during opening cor emonies on Friday, Below, Van Dobbins Jr. speaks at the ceremeny. At left, Andra Watterson. class of 1965, sings the school

song for Douglass High School with fellow alumni, accompanied by the Dobyns-Bennett

High School Band.

New life in these old halls

V.O. Dobbins Sr. Complex dedicated

"My father would be so proud of this historic moment. It's an emotional moment, it really is."

— Van Dobbins Jr.

By MATTHEW LANE

KINGSPORT - The dedication of the newly reposated and expanded V.O. Dobbins Sr. Complex on Friday brought forth much applicase, many thanks and moments of nostalgia and emotion for those in attendance - an event years in the making and one some say was long overdue for the Riverview community.

Kingsport held a ribbon cutting for the



ing the past 15 months.

Built in 1951 and named after abolitionist Frederick Douglass, the building served as Kingsport's "blacks only school — Deughas High School — until 2906 when students were assimilated into all-white schools throughout Kingsport. The city then turned the facility into a community center, renaming it after longtime Douglass Principal Van Dobbins Sr.



Wetlands Project

- Reedy Creek and Horse Creek traverse28 miles across Kingsport
- 1,600 acres of undevelopable floodway
- 8,000 acres of adjoining flood fringe
- Cutting edge commitment to environmental stewardship
- Kingsport has the greatest opportunity to make the biggest impact in the region
- City assume ownership (or conservation easement) of undevelopable lands, natural filter for watershed
- Tax break for landowners
- First mitigation sites are adjacent to JohnB. Dennis Highway and East Stone Drive





Parking Garage

- \$4.5 million / 364 spaces / 3 levels
- Money already available
- No additional bonds to be sold
- Public restrooms for special events
- Construction starts after Christmas
- Opening late Summer 2011
- 10,000 sf of privately-funded development space (2-3 levels)
- Parking will remain FREE for the foreseeable future
- Developer has extensive experience in rebirth of Chattanooga and Knoxville downtowns



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KINGSPORT PUBLIC PARKING STRUCTURE

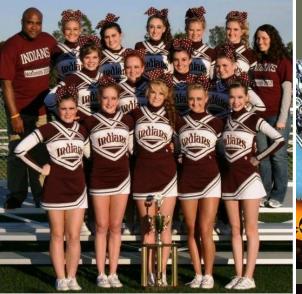






Schools: One of our community's greatest assets

D-B Cheerleaders Place 4th at National High School Cheerleading Championships



Planned by Columbia University







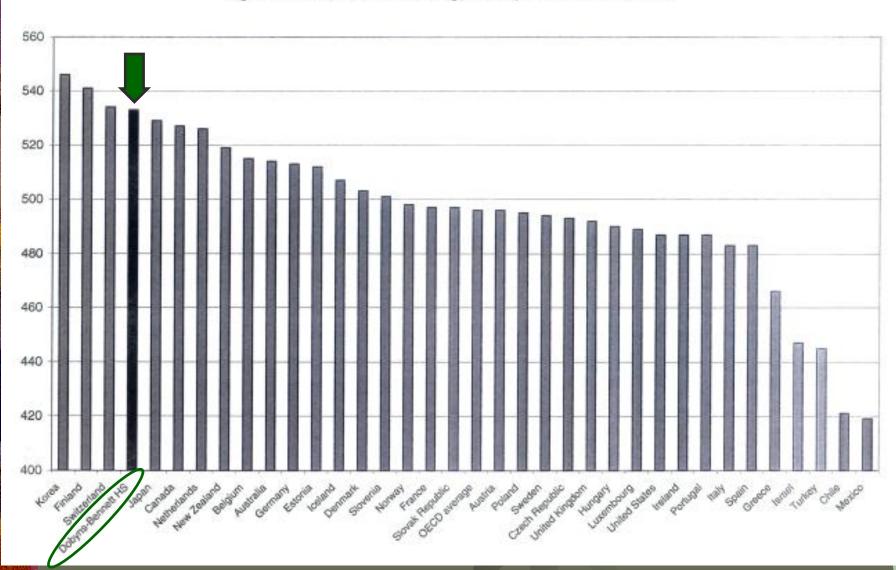


An International Comparison

- 15-year olds from Dobyns-Bennett
- A rigorous study compared PLAN (in ACT family) to PISA
- Several US high schools in the study
- Report expected to release March 7, 2011
 - Preliminary results reported here

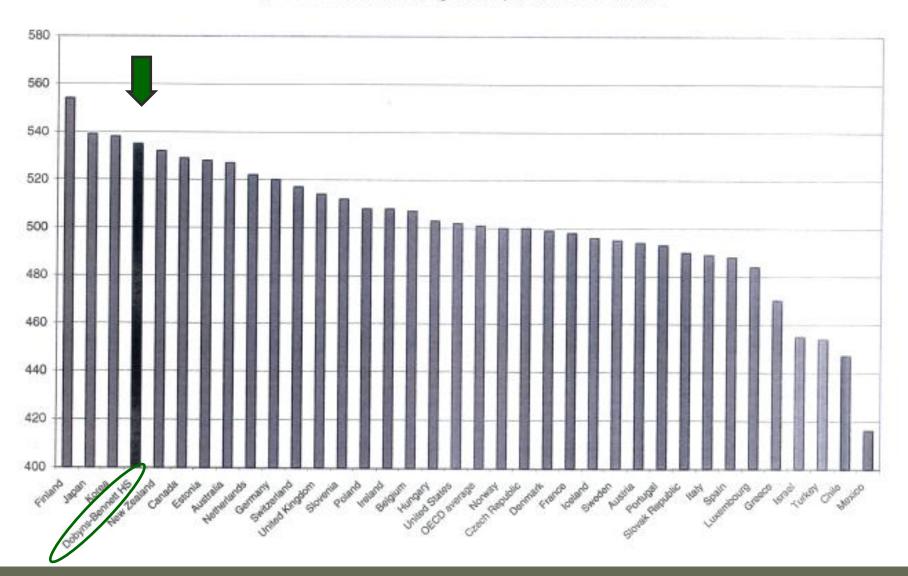
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Figure 1e. Mathematics for Students Age 15-Comparison to OECD Countries



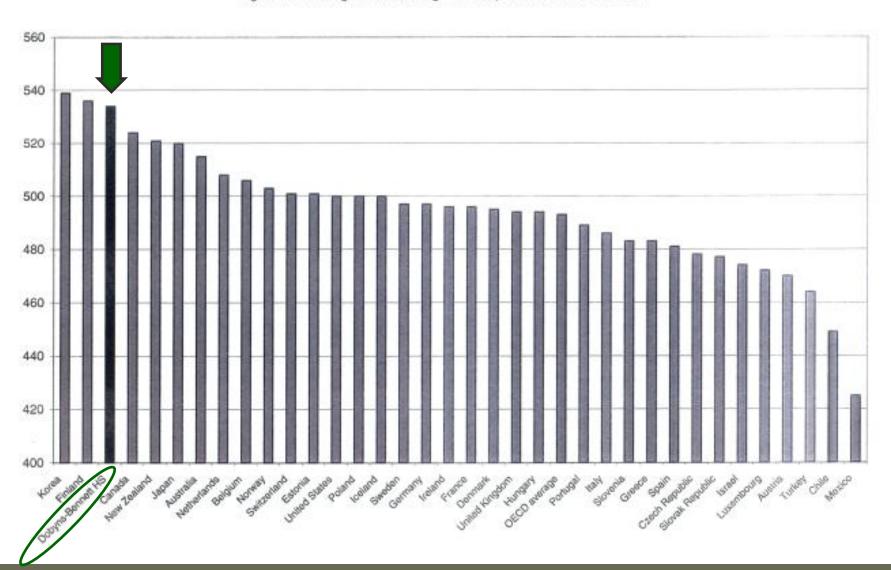
Science

Figure 1f. Science for Students Age 15-Comparison to OECD Countries



Reading

Figure 1d. Reading for Students Age 15-Comparison to OECD Countries



Leadership

"We're the 30 year overnight success story" Mayor Knox White, Greenville, SC

"When people ask, 'How did you do it?'...we did t."

Mayor Dennis Phillips, Kingsport

Tri-Cities regains jobs lost in Great Recession

■ Among the region's cities, Kingsport gained the most jobs and posted the lowest unemployment rate in the fourth quarter.

By SHARON CASKEY HAYES shayes@timesnews.net

While the national economy

HIPPLE

According to the latest labor market report issued Wednesday by ETSU, the Tri-Cities metropolitan area gained 4,684 jobs in "If you don't plant acorns, you'll have no oak trees" Miles Burdine, Kingsport Chamber CEO

"We must have a series of sustained successes"

Mayor Jeanette Blazier,

Kingsport

"The torch has been passed to a new generation" John F. Kennedy

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